ATUS Complex Sample Specification for SAS and Stata

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The Successive Difference Replicates (SDR) estimation method is recommended when working with the American Time Use Survey (ATUS) (U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, 2013). While STATA supports SDR estimation, SAS users must substitute the Jackknife Repeated Replication (JRR) estimation method.

SAS:

```
proc survey____  data=___your_datafile____ varmethod = jackknife;
      *your_secondary_command and your variable(s) or model statement;
      weight      _your_weight_;    * person/family/household weight variable;
      repweights  FINLWGT001- FINLWGT160;  * replicate weights;
run;
```

Of course, change the **proc survey____** for other procedures. For example:

```
proc surveylogistic data=your_datafile varmethod = jackknife;
      model       DEPENDENT (event='1')= INDEPENDENT;
      weight      _your_weight_;    * person/family/household weight variable;
      repweights  FINLWGT001- FINLWGT160; * replicate weights;
run;
```

Stata: (using the estimation of a mean value as our example)

Replicate weight method using menus

Sampling weight variable is your full sample pweight.
Successive Difference Replicates (sdr) are FINLWGT001-FINLWGT160.
Within the procedure, specify "survey data estimation" in SE.

Replicate weight method using code

First svyset *[pweight=_yourwgt]*, sdrweight(FINLWGT001- FINLWGT160) vce(sdr)
Then svy: mean *_yourvariable_*

For further information on the complex sampling design of the ATUS please refer to U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (2013).

Reference

U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. (2013). American Time Use Survey user's guide: Understanding ATUS 2003-2012. Available: http://www.bls.gov/tus/atususersguide.pdf

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